



## **RAMSGATE TOWN COUNCIL**

### **Minutes of the Finance and General Purposes Committee**

**Venue:** The Council Chamber, The Custom House, Harbour Parade, Ramsgate.

**Date:** Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> July 2017

**Present:** Councillors; Campbell (Chairman), Connor, Falcon, Kennedy, Martin, L Piper, S Piper, and Stummer-Schmertzling.

Also in attendance: R Styles–Town Clerk and Miss E.Richford – Deputy Town Clerk (RFO).

#### **046. APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from:

Cllrs: J Fairbrass and L Fairbrass – Family Matter.

Cllr: Brown –Working.

Cllr Larkins - Working.

Cllr Newman – Family Matter.

Cllr: Shonk – Civic matter.

Cllr: Young – Unwell.

#### **047. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None declared.

#### **048. MINUTES**

Proposed by: Cllr S. Piper.

Seconded by: Cllr Connor.

The minutes of the meeting held on 2nd May 2017 (minutes 244 to 198) are agreed as a true record.

**RESOLVED**

**049. ANNUAL AUDIT + ACCOUNTS**

The report was noted.

The cost of completion of the Ramsgate Decorative lights system was described by the Clerk and was approved by the committee:

Proposed by: Cllr Campbell.

Seconded by: Cllr S.Piper.

The Ramsgate Decorative light system should be restored in Queen Street. The cost as described by the Clerk is accepted and the project is approved.

RESOLVED

**050. GOVERNANCE AND FINANCIAL REGULATION**

The Clerk described the process of reviewing the Council Standing Orders and Financial Regulations, with the recommendation of no change to the current documents.

The meeting accepted that recommendation and noted the report.

**CCTV**

The Clerk stated that the Council should have a CCTV policy if it is install CCTV with confidence. A draft policy will be sent to all Councillors and the policy will be referred to Council for approval.

The meeting suggested that the Clerk consult TDC for information on the District group scheme.

**Resilience**

The meeting instructed the Clerk to write to TDC to ask them about emergency planning and to offer assistance with equipment where possible.

**Transparency**

The meeting agreed that all payments above £50.00 are to be published annually (Excepting Staff remuneration in detail).

Proposed: Cllr Campbell.

Seconded: Cllr Connor.

RESOLVED

**051. TOWN CENTRE**

The meeting noted the report from the Clerk.

The meeting was of the opinion that traffic management was a priority and the proposed meeting to take place on 12<sup>th</sup> July should be attended by RTC. The Town Promoter was asked to provide details on the meeting timings.

Proposed by: Cllr Campbell.  
Seconded: Cllr Piper.  
RESOLVED

**052. RADFORD BEQUEST**

The Clerk was asked to investigate Celandine Hall as an option and continue with the Fire Station in order to get more information.

**053. RAMSGATE FUND**

**RF8 2017/18 –Friends of Ellington Park.**

Archaeological survey.

Grant refused as application was not for capital expenditure.

Proposed: Cllr Campbell.

Seconded: Cllr S.Piper.

RESOLVED

**RF9 2017/18 –Little Fishes Parent and Toddler.**

Play equipment.

Grant awarded: £857.99.

Proposed: Cllr Campbell.

Seconded: Cllr Kennedy.

RESOLVED

**RF10 2017/18 –Ramsgate Town Team.**

Planters for Ramsgate Station.

Grant awarded: £3,200.

Proposed: Cllr Campbell.

Seconded: Cllr Kennedy.

RESOLVED

**054. STAFF MATTERS**

Cleaning

The meeting agreed that a contract rather than an in house service should be undertaken.

Proposed: Cllr Campbell.

Seconded: Cllr S.Piper.

RESOLVED

**055. TOWN CLERK'S REPORT**

Nothing to report.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.25 pm.